

# Free Early Developmental Screening

#### What is developmental screening?

A brief assessment designed to make sure that a child is on the right developmental path. It helps identify children who may need further evaluation.

#### Who is the screening for?

Children (11 - 66 months) who are not already receiving services or have a current diagnosis. Parents/caregivers do not need to have any concerns in order to schedule an appointment.

# How much does it cost? Do I need to bring my insurance card?

The screenings are free to the community. Insurance is not needed.

# Can someone else take my child to the screening?

If the parent/caregiver of the child is not able to attend, they may send their child with another family member over 18 years of age with a signed letter indicating that we may share the screening results with that family member.

### Who will be conducting the screening?

Trained staff from Children's Specialized Hospital.

## How long is the appointment?

The screenings last approximately 30 minutes.

### Do I need to have an appointment?

We highly recommend scheduling an appointment as we are not always able to accommodate walk-ins. Please visit <a href="https://www.childrens-specialized.org/developmentalscreening">www.childrens-specialized.org/developmentalscreening</a> or call (908) 301-5498 to register.

## What happens during a screening?

The screener will complete an interactive standardized screening with you and your child. The screening will be scored and results will be shared with the parent/caregiver. If additional evaluations are recommended, the screener will provide that information to the family and assist in linking them to services. Every family will receive a packet of age appropriate information related to their child. If additional evaluations have been recommended, the family will receive a follow up call approximately one month after the screening.

#### Where can I find more information?

To learn more about our free early developmental screening program, please visit www.childrens-specialized.org/developmentalscreening or call (908) 301-5498.





